

HOUSE GOVERNMENT AND URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL 1096

47TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2005

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE PUBLIC PEACE, HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE;
ENACTING A SECTION OF THE AUDIT ACT TO EXEMPT CERTAIN CONTRACTS
ENTERED INTO BY THE STATE AUDITOR FROM ANY REQUIREMENT OF LEGAL
REVIEW; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. A new section of the Audit Act is enacted to
read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] LEGAL REVIEW OF CONTRACTS.--

A. Notwithstanding any other provision of law,
professional services contracts entered into by the state
auditor with a value not exceeding twenty thousand dollars
(\$20,000) are exempt from any requirement for legal review by
the attorney general or an attorney of any state agency.

B. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all

1 contracts for auditing entered into between an agency and an
2 independent auditor pursuant to Section 12-6-14 NMSA 1978 and
3 all contracts for auditing entered into between an agency and
4 the state auditor are exempt from any requirement for legal
5 review by the attorney general or an attorney of any state
6 agency if the contracts are on a contract form approved by the
7 attorney general as to legal sufficiency."

8 Section 2. EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public
9 peace, health and safety that this act take effect immediately.

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